

**DODGE COUNTY**  
**JUDICIAL AND PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**April 9, 2021**

**Call to order:** Meeting was called to order by Chair Thomas Nickel at 8:00 a.m.; a quorum was established with the following members present:

Thomas Nickel, Larry Schraufnagel-took part by phone, David Guckenberger, Del Yaroach, and Ed Benter.

**Also Present:** James Mielke-County Administrator; Brian Pfitzinger-Circuit Court Judge; Kurt Klomberg-District Attorney; Michelle Kenning-Clerk of Courts Office Manager; Terra Mattheis-Director of Child Support Agency; Dale Schmidt-Dodge County Sheriff; Scott Mittelstadt-Chief Deputy; Kira Sheahan-Malloy-Dodge County Board Supervisor; Gina Steinke-Br. 2 Judicial Assistant.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Del Yaroach to approve Minutes of March 5, 2021 meeting; second by Ed Benter. Motion carried.

**Department Reports:**

**Courts:** Brian Pfitzinger gave a brief overview of the integral services provided by Shelby Brandsma and Deb Wolfram from Family Court Services and stated due to Deb's retirement in a few weeks, interviews will begin soon to fill her position.

**Sheriff's Office:** Dale Schmidt discussed 2022 vehicle leasing options and stated they are very early in the discussions and no decision will be made in the coming months. Question by David Guckenberger – is the intent to begin this lease next year? Yes per Dale if we go that direction.

Dale discussed the video evidence server that is on the Capital Improvement Plan and he feels they may have been too light on their initial cost estimate but will continue to explore options. Storing the data is an important issue to consider and they've been discussing this with Justin Reynolds in IT Dept. There is an option to purchase the video evidence server, along with a new body camera/squad camera program which could save the County money in the long run. Kurt Klomberg stated the transfer and processing of this data into discovery is a key issue for his office and he'd like to stay informed of this issue.

Dale informed the committee that the contract beds in the jail are right where they need to be, the numbers are very good but they're paying attention to what is going on at the border and in Washington. Dale stated he does not anticipate any jail staff furloughs or layoffs but will keep watching through the rest of the year. The Sheriff's Office is also ensuring proper payment for DOC inmates that are not being transferred out by DOC as they are responsible for. DOC has agreed to pay and will likely keep those inmates at a minimum in our jail as a result of conversations with the DOC Secretary.

Discussion held on parking citations. Dale suggested enacting an ordinance to ticket the vehicle vs. issuing a traffic citation to the person and he'd have his 3 community service officers monitor areas where illegal parking often occurs. With the consensus of the committee, the Sheriff's Office will work on an Ordinance in the next couple months and bring it back to the committee at that time for further consideration.

**Clerk of Courts:** Michelle Kenning stated they hired a replacement clerk for the family/paternity division, her name is Andrea Anderson and she has courts and correctional experience and will start on Monday, April 12, 2021.

**Next Meeting:** Friday, May 7, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at the Dodge County Administration Building, Rooms H&I.

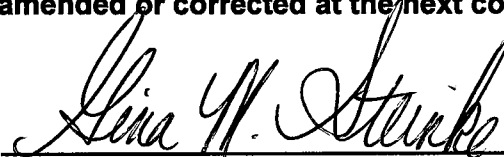
**Adjournment:** Motion by Del Yaroach to adjourn meeting, second by Ed Benter. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

**Disclaimer:** The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next committee meeting.



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Ed Benter, Secretary



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Gina M. Steinke, Recording Secretary